

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A rod-shaped device holds the equatorial region of the lens capsule during cataract/intraocular lens implantation surgery of patients with a weak or ruptured Zinn zonule. The device has a handle with a length of 6 mm or more and a thickness ranging from 0.01 mm to 1.0 mm, a tip bent into an acute angle, with the length up to this angled tip being 1.5 mm or more from the trough of the bend, and the bent tip having a linear branched or flat pad, with the width between the branches being 1 mm or more or the flat pad having a surface area of 1 mm<sup>2</sup> or more.